House Bill 3335

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SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced.**

Directs State Parks and Recreation Commission to authorize veterans to use yurts and horse-accessible campsites without charge for certain number of days in any calendar month. Specifies that free use includes all fees and charges.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

- 2 Relating to State Parks and Recreation Commission; amending ORS 390.124.
 - Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
 - **SECTION 1.** ORS 390.124 is amended to read:
 - 390.124. (1) In accordance with any applicable provision of ORS chapter 183, the State Parks and Recreation Commission may adopt rules necessary to carry out the duties, functions and powers imposed by law upon the commission and the State Parks and Recreation Department. Rules adopted pursuant to this section shall be duly entered in the minutes and records of the commission.
 - (2) The commission may adopt rules that assess reasonable fees and charges[, including fee reductions, waivers and exemptions,] for the use of areas established and maintained by the department. The commission may also adopt rules establishing reductions in, waivers of or exemptions from the fees and charges. [However,] The commission shall authorize the use of any state park, individual campsite or day use fee area without charge:
 - (a) Upon the showing of proper identification, by a person maintaining a foster home, as defined by ORS 418.625, and the person's children, when accompanied by a foster child residing in the home.
 - (b) Upon the showing of proper identification, by a person maintaining a developmental disability child foster home, as defined by ORS 443.830, and the person's children, when accompanied by a foster child residing in the home.
 - (c) If a deed to, lease of or contract to use the property used as a state park, campsite or day use fee area prohibits the charging of fees for use of the property.
 - (d) Upon the showing of proper identification, by either a disabled veteran or a person on leave from military active duty status on Memorial Day, Independence Day or Veterans Day.
 - (3)(a) The commission shall authorize veterans to use any state park or individual campsites including, but not limited to, yurts, horse-accessible campsites and day use fee areas without charge, upon the showing of proper identification. The waiver provided under this subsection shall include all fees and charges.
 - (b) In any calendar month, the waiver provided under this subsection shall be limited to not more than _____ consecutive days per stay and not more than _____ days total.
 - (c) For purposes of this subsection, "veteran" has the meaning given that term in ORS 408.225.

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[(3)] (4) The commission shall report to an appropriate committee of the Legislative Assembly, no later than January 31 of each odd-numbered year, on the [fee reductions, waivers and exemptions adopted by rule by the commission] reductions in, waivers of or exemptions from fees and charges established by rule pursuant to [subsection (2)] subsections (2) and (3) of this section.